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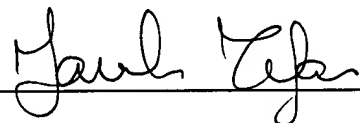
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2004, please amend the
above-identified Application as follows:



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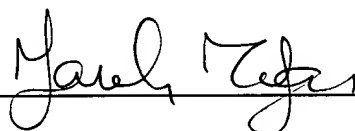
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed is/are:

- [x] Transmittal Letter (this form, 2 pages, in duplicate), Total Pages: 4;
- [x] Amendment, Total Pages: 13;
- [x] Return Receipt Pre-paid Postcard (in duplicate), Total postcards: 2;
- [x] Authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0901, if necessary.


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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	25	- 30	= 0	X \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independent Claims	3	- 9	= 0	X \$86.00	= \$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					= \$0.00

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-0901.

If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 366-9600, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,



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